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### U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY



#### REGION X

IDAHO OPERATIONS OFFICE 422 WEST WASHINGTON STREET BOISE, IDAHO 83702

July 22, 1988

Chris James, General Manager Cyprus Thompson Creek Mine P.O. Box 62 Clayton, Idaho 83227

RE: NPDES Compliance Inspection
Permit No. ID-002540-2

Dear Mr. James:

Attached for your information are the results of an NPDES compliance inspection conducted at the Cyprus Thompson Creek Mine on May 25, 1988. Sample results verify compliance with current permit requirements.

The assistance of Mr. Doughty during the inspection was appreciated.

Sincerely,

Wally Scarburgh

Idaho Permits Coordinator

Enclosure

cc: Bob Braun, IDHW-DEQ, Boise

Greg Kellogg, WD-135

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Chris Tames	Ville	ieval Manager					
P.o. Box 62	Phone No.	238-2200	Contacted				
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# Records, Reports, and Schedules Checklist

### A. Permit Verification

	YES NO N/A	INSPECTION OBSERVATIONS VERIFY INFORMATION CONTAINED IN PERMIT
(	Yes No N/A	1. Correct name and mailing address of permittee.
(	Yes No N/A	2. Facility is as described in permit.
	Yes No N/A	3. Notification has been given to EPA/State of new, different, increased discharges.
(	Yes No N/A	4. Accurate records of influent volume are maintained, when appropriate.
(	Yes No N/A	5. Number and location of discharge points are as described in the permit.
(	Yes No N/A	6. Name and location of receiving waters are correct.
(	Yes No N/A	7. All discharges are permitted.

# B. Recordicepting and Reporting Evaluation

YES NO N/A			1	
Yes No N/A  Yes No N/A	(	YES NO N/A	RECORDS AND REPORTS ARE MAINTAINED AS REQUIRED BY PERMIT	
Yes No N/A  A Dates, times, location of sampling b. Name of individual performing sampling c. Analytical methods and techniques d. Results of analysis e. Dates of analysis f. Name of person performing analysis g. Instantaneous flow at grab sample stations  5. Monitoring records are adequate and include a. Flow, pH, D.O., etc. as required by permit b. Monitoring charts  Yes No N/A  Yes No N/A  6. Laboratory equipment calibration and maintenance records are adequate.  7. Plant Records are adequate* and include a. OWM Manual b. "As-built" engineering drawings	(	Yes No N/A	2. Information is maintained for required period.	
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Yes No N/A   a. O&M Manual Yes No N/A   b. "As-built" engineering drawings	(	Yes No N/A	6. Laboratory equipment calibration and maintenance records are adequate.	
Yes No MA d. Equipment supplies manual		Yes No N/A Yes No N/A Yes No N/A	a. O&M Manual b. "As-built" engineering drawings c. Schedules and dates of equipment maintenance and repairs d. Equipment supplies manual	
Yes No N/A e. Equipment data cards *Required only for facilities built with Federal construction grant funds.		res No N/A		

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Yes	Nø	N/A	ľ
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- 8. Pretreatment records are adequate and include:
  - a. Industrial Waste Ordinance (or equivalent documents)
  - b. Inventory of industrial waste contributors, including:
    - 1. Compliance records
    - 2. User charge information



9. SPOC properly completed, when required.



10. Best Management Practices Program available, when required.

#### C. Compliance Schedule Status Review

yes no n/A	THE PERMITTEE IS MEETING THE COMPLIANCE SCHEDULE
Yes No N/A	1. The permittee has obtained necessary approvals to begin construction.
Yes No N/A	2. Financing arrangements are complete.
Yes No N/A	3. Contracts for engineering services have been executed.
Yes No N/A	4. Design plans and specifications have been completed.
Yes No N/A	5. Construction has begun.
Yes No N/A	6. Construction is on schedule.
Yes No N/A	7. Equipment acquisition is on schedule.
Yes No N/A	8. Construction has been completed.
Yes No N/A	9. Start up has begun.
Yes No N/A	10. The permittee has requested an extension of time.
Yes No N/A	11. The permittee has met compliance schedule.

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### D. POW Pretreatment Requirements Review

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1.	. Status of POTW Pretreatment Program
Yes No N/A	a. The POTW Pretreatment Program has been approved by EPA. (If not, is approval in progress?)
Yes No N/A	b. The ROTW is in compliance with the Pretreatment Program Compliance Schedule. (If not, note why, what is due, and intent of the POTW to remedy)
2.	. Status of Compliance with Categorical Pretreatment Standards.
Yes No N/A	a. How many industrial users of the POTW are subject to Federal or State Pretreatment Standards?
Yes No N/A	b. Are these industries aware of their responsibility to comply with
Yes No N/A	applicable standards?  c. Have baseline monitoring reports (403.12) been submitted for these industries?
Yes No N/A	i. Have categorical industries in noncompliance (on EMR reports) submitted compliance schedules?
Yes No N/A	ii. How many categorical industries on compliance schedules are meeting the schedule deadlines?
Yes No N/A	d. If the compliance deadline has passed, have all industries submitted 90 day compliance reports?
Yes No N/A	e. Are all categorical industries submitting the required semiannual report?
Yes No N/A	f. Are all new industrial discharges in compliance with new source pretreatment standards?
Yes No N/A	g. Has the POTW submitted its annual pretreatment report?
Yes No N/A	h. Has the POTW taken enforcement action against noncomplying industrial users?
Yes No N/A	i. Is the POTW conducting inspections of industrial contributors?
	• Are the industrial users subject to Prohibited Limits (403.5) and local limits

Yes No N/A 3.	Are the industrial users subject to Prohibited Limits (403.5) and local limits
	more stringent than EPA in compliance?
	(If not, explain why, including need for revision of limits.)
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#### Facility Site Review Checklist

(	Yes No N/A	1. Standby power or other equivalent provision is provided.
(	Yes No N/A	2. Adequate alarm system for power or equipment failures is available.
	Yes No N/A	3. POTW handles and disposes of sludge according to applicable Federal, State, and and local regulations.
.(	Yes No N/A	4. All treatment units, other than back-up units, are in service.
(	Yes No N/A	5. Procedures for facility operation and maintenance exist.
(	Yes No N/A	6. Organization plan (chart) for operation and maintenance is provided.
	Yeen No N/A	7. Operating schedules are established.
(	Yes No N/A	8. Emergency plan for treatment control is established.
	Yes No N/A Yes No N/A Yes No N/A	9. Operating management control documents are current and include: a. Operating report b. Work schedule c. Activity report (time cards)
	Yes No N/A	1 1
(	Yes No N/A	11. Adequate number of qualified operators are on hand.
(	Yes No N/A	12. Established procedures are available for training new operators.
Ć	Yes No N/A	13. Adequate spare parts and supplies inventory and major equipment specifications are maintained.
	Yes No N/A	14. Instruction files are kept for operation and maintenance of each item of major equipment.
	Yes No N/A	15. Operation and maintenance manual is available.
	Yes No N/A	16. Regulatory agency was notified of by passing.  (Dates)

# Facility Site Review Checklist

Yes No N/A	17.	Hydraulic and/or organic overloads are experienced.  Reasons for overloads
Yes No N/A	18.	Up-to-date equipment repair records are maintained.
Yes No N/A	19.	Dated tags show out of service equipment.
Yes No N/A	20.	Routine and preventive maintenance are scheduled/performed on time.

#### Permittee Sampling Inspection Checklist

### A. Permittee Sampling Evaluation

4	Yes	)No	N/A	. Samples are taken at sites specified in permit.	
	Yes No N	N/A	. Locations are adequate for representative samples.		
	Yes	No	N/A	. Flow proportioned samples are obtained where required by permit.	
	Yes	)No	N/A	. Sampling and analysis completed on parameters specified by permit.	
	Yes	)No	N/A	. Sampling and analysis done in frequency specified by permit.	
	Ye	No	n/A	Permittee is using method of sample collection required by permit.  Required Method: ( va )  If not, method being used is: () Grab () Manual composite ()  () Automatic composite	
	<b>1</b>	oly.	n/a n/a n/a	Sample collection procedures are adequate:  a. Samples refrigerated during compositing  b. Proper preservation techniques used  c. Containers and sample holding times before analyses conform with 40 CFR 136.	3
	Yes	No(	N/A	Monitoring and analyses are performed more often than required by permit. If so results reported in permittee's self-monitoring report.	,

# B Sampling Inspection Procedures and Observations

1	Yes	No N/A	1	. Grab samples obtained.
	Yes	No (N/A	2	Composite sample obtained Compositing frequency Preservation
	Yes	NO N/A	3	. Sample refrigerated during compositing.
	Yes	NO N/A	4	. Flow proportioned sample obtained.
	Yes	No N/A	5	. Sample obtained from facility sampling device.
4	Yes	NO N/A	6	. Sample representative of volume and nature of discharge.
	Yes	No (N/A)	7	. Sample split with permittee.
	Ŷes	No N/A	8	. Chain of custody procedures employed.

# A. Flow Measurement Inspection Checklist - General

Ŷes	No	N/A	1.	Primary flow measuring device is properly installed and maintained.
Yes	No	N/A	2.	Flow records are properly kept.
Yes	No	N/A	3.	Sharp drops or increases in flow values are accounted for.
Yes	No	N/A	4.	Actual flow discharged is measured.
Yes	No (	N/A	5.	Influent flow is measured before all return lines.
Yes	No	N/A	6.	Effluent flow is measured after all return lines.
Yes	No	N/A	7.	Secondary instruments (totalizers, recorders, etc.) are properly operated and maintained.
Yes	No	N/A	8.	Spare parts are stocked.

#### B. Flow Measurement: Inspection Checklist - Flower

Yes	.No	N/A	<ol> <li>Flow entering flume appears reasonably well distributed across the channel and free of turbulence, boils, or other distortions.</li> </ol>
Yes	No	N/A	2. Cross-sectional velocities at entrance are relatively uniform .
Yes	No	N/A	3. Flume is clean and free of debris or deposits.
Yes	Мо	N/A	4. All dimensions of flume are accurate.
Yes	No	N/A	5. Side walls of flume are vertical and smooth.
Yes	No	N/A	6. Sides of flume throat are vertical and parallel.
Yes	No	N/A	7. Flume head is being measured at proper location.
Yes	No	N/A	8. Measurement of flume head is zeroed to flume crest.
Yes	No	N/A	9. Flume is of proper size to measure range of existing flow.
Yes	No	_N/A	10. Flume is operating under free-flow conditions over existing range of flows.

			C. Flow Measurement Inspection Checklist - Wiers
		(	1. What type of weir is being used?
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Yes	No	N/A	2. The weir is exactly level.
Yes	) No	N/A	3. The weir plate is plumb and its top edges are sharp and cleam.
Yes	No.	N/A	4. There is free access for air below the nappe of the weir.
Yes)	No	N/A	5. Upstream channel of weir is straight for at least four times the depth of water .level, and free from disturbing influences.
Yea	No	N/A	6. The stilling basin of the weir is of sufficient size and clear of debris.
Yes	No	N/A	7. Head measurements are properly made by facility personnel.
Yes	No	N/A	8. Proper flow tables are used by facility personnel.
			D. Flow Measurement Inspection Checklist — Other Flow Devices
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,			2. What are the most common problems that the operator has had with the flowmeter?
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			4. Design flow: mgd.
Yes	Мо	N/A	5. Flow totalizer is properly calibrated.
			6. Frequency of routine inspection by proper operator:/day.
			7. Frequency of maintenance inspections by plant personnel: /year.
· '.			8. Frequency of flowmeter calibration: /month.
Yes	No	N/A	9. Flow measurement equipment adequate to handle expected ranges of flow rates.
Yes	No	N/A	10. Venturi meter is properly installed and calibrated.
Yes	No	N/A	11. Electromagnetic flowmeter is properly calibrated.

	Laboratory Quality Assurance Checklist							
	A. General							
Yes No N/A	1. Written laboratory quality assurance manual is available.							
	B . Laboratory Procedures							
Yes No N/A	1. EPA approved analytical testing procedures are used.							
Yes No N/A	2. If alternate analytical procedures are used, proper approval has been obtained.							
Yes No N/A	3. Calibration and maintenance of instruments and equipment is satisfactory.							
Yes No N/A	4. Quality control procedures are used.							
Yes No N/A	5. Quality control procedures are adequate.							
	6. Duplicate samples are analyzed % of time.							
	7. Spiked samples are used % of time.							
Yes No N/A	8. Commercial laboratory is used Name Analytical Caboratovies							
	Address							
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	C. Laboratory Facilities and Equipment							
Yes No N/A	1. Proper grade distilled water is available for specific analysis.							
Yes No N/A	2. Dry, uncontaminated compressed air is available.							
Yes No N/A	3. Fume hood has enough ventilation capacity.							
Yes No N/A	4. The laboratory has sufficient lighting.							
Yes No N/A	5. Adequate electrical sources are available.							
Yes No N/A	6. Instruments/equipment are in good condition.							
Yes No N/A	7. Written requirements for daily operation of instruments are available.							

#### Lal tory Quality Assurance Checklist (cont led)

# C. Laboratory Facilities and Equipment (continued)

8. Standards are available to perform daily check procedure.
9. Written trouble-shooting procedures for instruments are available.
10. Schedule for required maintenance exists.
11. Proper volumetric glassware is used.
12. Glassware is properly cleaned.
13. Standard reagents and solvents are properly stored.
14. Working standards are frequently checked.
15. Standards are discarded after recommended shelf life has expired.
16. Background reagents and solvents run with every series of samples.
17. Written procedures exist for cleanup, hazard response methods, and applications of correction methods for reagents and solvents.
18. Gas cylinders are replaced at 100-200 psi.

# D. Laboratory's Precision, Accuracy, and Control Procedures

Yes No N/A	A minimum of seven replicates is analyzed for each type of control check     and this information is on record.
Yes No N/A	2. Plotted precision and accuracy control charts are used to determine whether valid, questionable, or invalid data are being generated from day to day.
Yes No N/A	<ol><li>Control samples are introduced into the train of actual samples to ensure that valid data are being generated.</li></ol>
Yes No N/A	4. The precision and accuracy of the analyses are good.

# Laboratory Quality Assurance Checklist (Continued)

# E. Data Handling and Reporting

Yes No N/A	1. Round-off nules are uniformly applied.
Yes No N/A	2. Significant figures are established for each analysis
Yes No N/A	3. Provision for cross-checking calculation is used
Yes No N/A	4. Correct formulas are used to reduce to simplest factors for quick, correct calculation
Yes No N/A	5. Control chart approach and statistical calculations for quality assurance and report are available and followed
Yes No N/A	6. Report forms have been developed to provide complete data documentation and permanent records and to facilitate data processing
Yes-No-N/A	_7Data-are-reported_in-proper-form-and-units
Yes No N/A	8. Laboratory records are kept readily available to regulatory agency for required period of time
Yes No N/A	9. Laboratory notebook or preprinted data forms are permanently bound to provide good documentation
Yes No N/A	10. Efficient filing system exists enabling prompt channeling of report copies

### F. Laboratory Personnel

Yes No N/A	1. The analyst has appropriate training
Yes No N/A	2. The analyst follows the specified procedures
Yes No N/A	3. The analyst is skilled in performing analyses

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